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# **prance Documentation**

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## Swagger/OpenAPI 2.0 Parser for Python



Prance provides parsers for [Swagger/OpenAPI 2.0](#) and [3.0](#) API specifications in Python. It uses [openapi\\_spec\\_validator](#), [swagger\\_spec\\_validator](#) or [flex](#) to validate specifications, but additionally resolves [JSON references](#) in accordance with the OpenAPI spec.

Mostly the latter involves handling non-URI references; OpenAPI is fine with providing relative file paths, whereas JSON references require URIs at this point in time.



## 1.1 Installation

Prance is available from PyPI, and can be installed via pip:

```
$ pip install prance
```

Note that this will install the code, but additional subpackages must be specified to unlock various pieces of functionality. At minimum, a parsing backend must be installed. For the CLI functionality, you need further dependencies.

The recommended installation installs the CLI, uses ICU and installs one validation backend:

```
$ pip install prance[osv,icu,cli]
```

Make sure you have [ICU Unicode Library](#) installed, as well as Python dev library before running the commands above. If not, use the following commands:

```
$ sudo apt-get install libicu-dev python3-dev # Ubuntu/Debian  
$ sudo dnf install libicu-devel python3-devel # Fedora
```

## 1.2 Command Line Interface

After installing prance, a CLI is available for validating (and resolving external references in) specs:

```
# Validates with resolving  
$ prance validate path/to/swagger.yml  
  
# Validates without resolving  
$ prance validate --no-resolve path/to/swagger.yml  
  
# Fetch URL, validate and resolve.  
$ prance validate http://petstore.swagger.io/v2/swagger.json  
Processing "http://petstore.swagger.io/v2/swagger.json"...  
-> Resolving external references.  
Validates OK as Swagger/OpenAPI 2.0!
```

Validation is not the only feature of prance. One of the side effects of resolving is that from a spec with references, one can create a fully resolved output spec. In the past, this was done via options to the `validate` command, but now there's a specific command just for this purpose:

```
# Compile spec
$ prance compile path/to/input.yml path/to/output.yml
```

Lastly, with the arrival of OpenAPI 3.0.0, it becomes useful for tooling to convert older specs to the new standard. Instead of re-inventing the wheel, prance just provides a CLI command for passing specs to the web API of [swagger2openapi](#) - a working internet connection is therefore required for this command:

```
# Convert spec
$ prance convert path/to/swagger.yml path/to/openapi.yml
```

## 1.3 Code

Most likely you have spec file and want to parse it:

```
from prance import ResolvingParser
parser = ResolvingParser('path/to/my/swagger.yml')
parser.specification # contains fully resolved specs as a dict
```

Prance also includes a non-resolving parser that does not follow JSON references, in case you prefer that.

```
from prance import BaseParser
parser = BaseParser('path/to/my/swagger.yml')
parser.specification # contains specs as a dict still containing JSON references
```

On Windows, the code reacts correctly if you pass posix-like paths (`/c:/swagger`) or if the path is relative. If you pass absolute windows path (like `c:\swagger.yml`), you can use `prance.util.fs.abspath` to convert them.

URLs can also be parsed:

```
parser = ResolvingParser('http://petstore.swagger.io/v2/swagger.json')
```

Largely, that's it. There is a whole slew of utility code that you may or may not find useful, too. Look at the [full documentation](#) for details.

## 1.4 Compatibility

### *Python Versions*

Version 0.16.2 is the last version supporting Python 2. It was released on Nov 12th, 2019. Python 2 reaches end of life at the end of 2019. If you wish for updates to the Python 2 supported packages, please contact the maintainer directly.

Until fairly recently, we also tested with [PyPy](#). Unfortunately, Travis isn't very good at supporting this. So in the absence of spare time, they're disabled. [Issue 50](#) tracks progress on that.

Similarly, but less critically, Python 3.4 is no longer receiving a lot of love from CI vendors, so automated builds on that version are no longer supported.

### *Backends*

Different validation backends support different features.



Backend	Python Version	OpenAPI Version	Strict Mode	Notes	Available From	Link
swagger-spec-validator	2 and 3	2.0 only	yes	Slow; does not accept integer keys (see strict mode).	prance 0.1	<a href="#">swagger_spec_validator</a>
flex	2 and 3	2.0 only	n/a	Fastest; unfortunately deprecated.	prance 0.8	<a href="#">flex</a>
openapi-spec-validator	2 and 3	2.0 and 3.0	yes	Slow; does not accept integer keys (see strict mode).	prance 0.11	<a href="#">openapi_spec_validator</a>

You can select the backend in the constructor of the parser(s):

```
parser = ResolvingParser('http://petstore.swagger.io/v2/swagger.json', backend =
→ 'openapi-spec-validator')
```

No backend is included in the dependencies; they are detected at run-time. If you install them, they can be used:

```
$ pip install openapi-spec-validator
$ pip install prance
$ prance validate --backend=openapi-spec-validator path/to/spec.yml
```

*A note on flex usage:* While flex is the fastest validation backend, unfortunately it is no longer maintained and there are issues with its dependencies. For one thing, it depends on a version of *PyYAML* that contains security flaws. For another, it depends explicitly on older versions of *click*.

If you use the flex subpackage, therefore, you do so at your own risk.

#### Compatibility

See [COMPATIBILITY.rst](#) for a list of known issues.

## 1.5 Partial Reference Resolution

It's possible to instruct the parser to only resolve some kinds of references. This allows e.g. resolving references from external URLs, whilst keeping local references (i.e. to local files, or file internal) intact.

```
from prance import ResolvingParser
from prance.util.resolver import RESOLVE_HTTP

parser = ResolvingParser('/path/to/spec', resolve_types = RESOLVE_HTTP)
```

Multiple types can be specified by OR-ing constants together:

```
from prance import ResolvingParser
from prance.util.resolver import RESOLVE_HTTP, RESOLVE_FILES

parser = ResolvingParser('/path/to/spec', resolve_types = RESOLVE_HTTP | RESOLVE_FILES)
```

## 1.6 Extensions

Prance includes the ability to reference outside swagger definitions in outside Python packages. Such a package must already be importable (i.e. installed), and be accessible via the [ResourceManager API](#) (some more info [here](#)).

For example, you might create a package `common_swag` with the file `base.yaml` containing the definition

```
definitions:
  Severity:
    type: string
    enum:
      - INFO
      - WARN
      - ERROR
      - FATAL
```

In the `setup.py` for `common_swag` you would add lines such as

```
packages=find_packages('src'),
package_dir={'': 'src'},
package_data={
    '': '*.yaml'
}
```

Then, having installed `common_swag` into some application, you could now write

```
definitions:
  Message:
    type: object
    properties:
      severity:
        $ref: 'python://common_swag/base.yaml#/definitions/Severity'
      code:
        type: string
      summary:
        type: string
      description:
        type: string
    required:
      - severity
      - summary
```

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## CHAPTER THREE

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## API/MODULES

<i>prance</i>	Prance implements parsers for Swagger/OpenAPI 2.0 and 3.0.0 API specs.
<i>prance.mixins</i>	Defines Mixins for parsers.
<i>prance.convert</i>	Functionality for converting from Swagger/OpenAPI 2.0 to OpenAPI 3.0.0.
<i>prance.util.formats</i>	This submodule contains file format related utility code for Prance.
<i>prance.util.fs</i>	This submodule contains file system utilities for Prance.
<i>prance.util.iterators</i>	This submodule contains specialty iterators over specs.
<i>prance.util.resolver</i>	This submodule contains a JSON inlining reference resolver.
<i>prance.util.url</i>	This submodule contains code for fetching/parsing URLs.
<i>prance.util.exceptions</i>	This submodule contains helpers for exception handling.
<i>prance.util.path</i>	This module contains code for accessing values in nested data structures.

### 4.1 prance

Prance implements parsers for Swagger/OpenAPI 2.0 and 3.0.0 API specs.

See <https://openapis.org/> for details on the specification.

Included is a BaseParser that reads and validates swagger specs, and a ResolvingParser that additionally resolves any \$ref references.

#### 4.1.1 Exceptions

**exception** `prance.ValidationError`

Bases: `Exception`

**with\_traceback()**

Exception.with\_traceback(tb) – set self.\_\_traceback\_\_ to tb and return self.

## 4.1.2 Classes

**class** prance.**BaseParser**(url=None, spec\_string=None, lazy=False, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: [YAMLMixin](#), [JSONMixin](#)

The BaseParser loads, parses and validates OpenAPI 2.0 and 3.0.0 specs.

Uses [YAMLMixin](#) and [JSONMixin](#) for additional functionality.

**json()**

Return a JSON representation of the specifications.

**Returns**

JSON representation.

**Return type**

dict

**parse()**

When the BaseParser was lazily created, load and parse now.

You can use this function to re-use an existing parser for parsing multiple files by setting its url property and then invoking this function.

**specs\_updated()**

Test if self.specification changed.

**Returns**

Whether the specs changed.

**Return type**

bool

**yaml()**

Return a YAML representation of the specifications.

**Returns**

YAML representation.

**Return type**

dict

```
BACKENDS = {'flex': ((2,), '_validate_flex'), 'openapi-spec-validator': ((2, 3),
'_validate_openapi_spec_validator'), 'swagger-spec-validator': ((2,),
'_validate_swagger_spec_validator')}
```

```
SPEC_VERSION_2_PREFIX = 'Swagger/OpenAPI'
```

```
SPEC_VERSION_3_PREFIX = 'OpenAPI'
```

**class** prance.**ResolvingParser**(url=None, spec\_string=None, lazy=False, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: [BaseParser](#)

The ResolvingParser extends BaseParser with resolving references by inlining.

**json()**

Return a JSON representation of the specifications.

**Returns**

JSON representation.



**Return type**

dict

**parse()**

When the BaseParser was lazily created, load and parse now.

You can use this function to re-use an existing parser for parsing multiple files by setting its url property and then invoking this function.

**specs\_updated()**

Test if self.specficiation changed.

**Returns**

Whether the specs changed.

**Return type**

bool

**yaml()**

Return a YAML representation of the specifications.

**Returns**

YAML representation.

**Return type**

dict

```
BACKENDS = {'flex': ((2,), '_validate_flex'), 'openapi-spec-validator': ((2, 3),
'_validate_openapi_spec_validator'), 'swagger-spec-validator': ((2,),
'_validate_swagger_spec_validator')}
```

```
SPEC_VERSION_2_PREFIX = 'Swagger/OpenAPI'
```

```
SPEC_VERSION_3_PREFIX = 'OpenAPI'
```

## 4.2 prance.mixins

Defines Mixins for parsers.

The Mixins are here mostly for separation of concerns.

### 4.2.1 Classes

**class prance.mixins.CacheSpecsMixin**

Bases: object

CacheSpecsMixin helps determine if self.specification changed.

It does so by caching a shallow copy on-demand.

**specs\_updated()**

Test if self.specficiation changed.

**Returns**

Whether the specs changed.

**Return type**

bool

**class** prance.mixins.JSONMixin

Bases: *CacheSpecsMixin*

JSONMixin returns a JSON representation of the specification.

It uses *CacheSpecsMixin* for lazy evaluation.

**json()**

Return a JSON representation of the specifications.

**Returns**

JSON representation.

**Return type**

dict

**specs\_updated()**

Test if self.specification changed.

**Returns**

Whether the specs changed.

**Return type**

bool

**class** prance.mixins.YAMLMixin

Bases: *CacheSpecsMixin*

YAMLMixin returns a YAML representation of the specification.

It uses *CacheSpecsMixin* for lazy evaluation.

**specs\_updated()**

Test if self.specification changed.

**Returns**

Whether the specs changed.

**Return type**

bool

**yaml()**

Return a YAML representation of the specifications.

**Returns**

YAML representation.

**Return type**

dict

## 4.3 prance.convert

Functionality for converting from Swagger/OpenAPI 2.0 to OpenAPI 3.0.0.

The functions use <https://mermade.org.uk/> APIs for conversion.

### 4.3.1 Exceptions

**exception** `prance.convert.ConversionError`

Bases: `ValueError`

**with\_traceback()**

Exception.with\_traceback(tb) – set self.\_\_traceback\_\_ to tb and return self.

### 4.3.2 Functions

`prance.convert.convert_spec(parser_or_spec, parser_klass=None, *args, **kwargs)`

Convert an already parsed spec to OpenAPI 3.x.y.

Returns a new parser instance with the parsed specs, if possible.

The first parameter is either a parsed OpenAPI 2.0 spec, or a parser instance, i.e. something derived from `prance.BaseParser`. If a parser, the returned parser's options are taken from this source parser.

If the first parameter is a parsed spec, you must specify the class of parser to instantiate. You can specify other options as key word arguments. See the parser class for details.

Any key word arguments specified here also override options from a source parser.

This parametrization may seem a little convoluted. What it does, though, is allow maximum flexibility. You can create parsed (but unvalidated) OpenAPI 3.0 specs even if you only have backends that support version 2.0. You can pass the source parser, and the lazy flag, and that's it. If your version 2.0 specs were valid, there's a good chance your converted 3.0 specs are also valid.

#### Parameters

- **parser\_or\_spec** (*mixed*) – A dict (spec) or an instance of `BaseParser`
- **parser\_klass** (*type*) – [optional] A parser class to instantiate for the result.

#### Returns

A parser instance.

#### Return type

*BaseParser* or derived.

`prance.convert.convert_str(spec_str, filename=None, **kwargs)`

Convert the serialized spec.

We parse the spec first to ensure there is no parse error, then send it off to the API for conversion.

#### Parameters

- **spec\_str** (*str*) – The specifications as string.
- **filename** (*str*) – [optional] Filename to determine the format from.
- **content\_type** (*str*) – [optional] Content type to determine the format from.

#### Returns

The converted spec and content type.

#### Return type

tuple

#### Raises

- *ParseError* – when parsing fails.

- **`ConversionError`** – when conversion fails.

`prance.convert.convert_url(url, cache={})`

Fetch a URL, and try to convert it to OpenAPI 3.x.y.

**Parameters**

**`url`** (*str*) – The URL to fetch.

**Returns**

The converted spec and content type.

**Return type**

tuple

**Raises**

- **`ParseError`** – when parsing fails.
- **`ConversionError`** – when conversion fails.

## 4.4 prance.util.formats

This submodule contains file format related utility code for Prance.

### 4.4.1 Exceptions

**exception** `prance.util.formats.ParseError`

Bases: `ValueError`

**with\_traceback()**

Exception.with\_traceback(tb) – set self.\_\_traceback\_\_ to tb and return self.

### 4.4.2 Functions

`prance.util.formats.format_info(format_name)`

Return content type and extension for a supported format.

Valid formats are *YAML* or *JSON*.

**Parameters**

**`format_name`** (*str*) – The name of the format.

**Returns**

The preferred content type and file name extension, or (None, None) if the format name is not supported.

**Return type**

tuple

`prance.util.formats.parse_spec(spec_str, filename=None, **kwargs)`

Return a parsed dict of the given spec string.

The function exists for legacy reasons and just wraps `parse_spec_details`, returning only the parsed specs.

**Parameters**

- **`spec_str`** (*str*) – The specifications as string.

- **filename** (*str*) – [optional] Filename to determine the format from.
- **content\_type** (*str*) – [optional] Content type to determine the format from.

**Returns**

The specifications.

**Return type**

dict

**Raises**

*ParseError* – when parsing fails.

`prance.util.formats.parse_spec_details(spec_str, filename=None, **kwargs)`

Return a parsed dict of the given spec string.

Also returned are the detected mime type and file name extension.

The default format is assumed to be JSON, but if you provide a filename, its extension is used to determine whether YAML or JSON should be parsed.

**Parameters**

- **spec\_str** (*str*) – The specifications as string.
- **filename** (*str*) – [optional] Filename to determine the format from.
- **content\_type** (*str*) – [optional] Content type to determine the format from.

**Returns**

The specifications, mime type, and extension.

**Return type**

tuple

**Raises**

*ParseError* – when parsing fails.

`prance.util.formats.serialize_spec(specs, filename=None, **kwargs)`

Return a serialized version of the given spec.

The default format is assumed to be JSON, but if you provide a filename, its extension is used to determine whether YAML or JSON should be parsed.

**Parameters**

- **specs** (*dict*) – The specifications as dict.
- **filename** (*str*) – [optional] Filename to determine the format from.
- **content\_type** (*str*) – [optional] Content type to determine the format from.

**Returns**

The serialized specifications.

**Return type**

str

## 4.5 prance.util.fs

This submodule contains file system utilities for Prance.

### 4.5.1 Functions

`prance.util.fs.abspath(filename, relative_to=None)`

Return the absolute path of a file relative to a reference file.

If no reference file is given, this function works identical to *canonical\_filename*.

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – The filename to make absolute.
- **relative\_to** (*str*) – [optional] the reference file name.

**Returns**

The absolute path

**Return type**

*str*

`prance.util.fs.canonical_filename(filename)`

Return the canonical version of a file name.

The canonical version is defined as the absolute path, and all file system links dereferenced.

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – The filename to make canonical.

**Returns**

The canonical filename.

**Return type**

*str*

`prance.util.fs.detect_encoding(filename, default_to_utf8=True, **kwargs)`

Detect the named file's character encoding.

If the first parts of the file appear to be ASCII, this function returns 'UTF-8', as that's a safe superset of ASCII. This can be switched off by changing the *default\_to\_utf8* parameter.

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – The name of the file to detect the encoding of.
- **default\_to\_utf8** (*bool*) – Defaults to True. Set to False to disable treating ASCII files as UTF-8.
- **read\_all** (*bool*) – Keyword argument; if True, reads the entire file for encoding detection.

**Returns**

The file encoding.

**Return type**

*str*

`prance.util.fs.from_posix(fname)`

Convert a path from posix-like, to the platform format.

**Parameters**

**fname** (*str*) – The filename in posix-like format.

**Returns**

The filename in the format of the platform.

**Return type**

str

`prance.util.fs.is_pathname_valid(pathname)`

Test whether a path name is valid.

**Returns**

True if the passed pathname is valid on the current OS, False otherwise.

**Return type**

bool

`prance.util.fs.read_file(filename, encoding=None)`

Read and decode a file, taking BOMs into account.

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – The name of the file to read.
- **encoding** (*str*) – The encoding to use. If not given, `detect_encoding` is used to determine the encoding.

**Returns**

The file contents.

**Return type**

unicode string

`prance.util.fs.to_posix(fname)`

Convert a path to posix-like format.

**Parameters**

**fname** (*str*) – The filename to convert to posix format.

**Returns**

The filename in posix-like format.

**Return type**

str

`prance.util.fs.write_file(filename, contents, encoding=None)`

Write a file with the given encoding.

The default encoding is 'utf-8'. It's recommended not to change that for JSON or YAML output.

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – The name of the file to read.
- **contents** (*str*) – The file contents to write.
- **encoding** (*str*) – The encoding to use. If not given, `detect_encoding` is used to determine the encoding.

## 4.6 prance.util.iterators

This submodule contains specialty iterators over specs.

### 4.6.1 Functions

`prance.util.iterators.item_iterator(value, path=())`

Return item iterator over the a nested dict- or list-like object.

Returns each item value as the second item to unpack, and a tuple path to the item as the first value - in that, it behaves much like `viewitems()`. For list like values, the path is made up of numeric indices.

Given a spec such as this:

```
spec = {
    'foo': 42,
    'bar': {
        'some': 'dict',
    },
    'baz': [
        { 1: 2 },
        { 3: 4 },
    ]
}
```

Here, (parts of) the yielded values would be:

item	path
[...]	('baz',)
{ 1: 2 }	('baz', 0)
2	('baz', 0, 1)

#### Parameters

**value** (*dict/list*) – The specifications to iterate over.

#### Returns

An iterator over all items in the value.

#### Return type

iterator

`prance.util.iterators.reference_iterator(specs, path=())`

Iterate through the given specs, returning only references.

**The iterator returns three values:**

- The key, mimicking the behaviour of other iterators, although it will always equal ‘\$ref’
- The value
- The path to the item. This is a tuple of all the item’s ancestors, in sequence, so that you can reasonably easily find the containing item. It does not include the final ‘\$ref’ key.

#### Parameters

**specs** (*dict*) – The specifications to iterate over.



**Returns**

An iterator over all references in the specs.

**Return type**

iterator

## 4.7 prance.util.resolver

This submodule contains a JSON inlining reference resolver.

### 4.7.1 Classes

**class** prance.util.resolver.**RefResolver**(*specs, url=None, \*\*options*)

Bases: object

Resolve JSON pointers/references in a spec by inlining.

**resolve\_references**()

Resolve JSON pointers/references in the spec.

### 4.7.2 Functions

prance.util.resolver.**default\_reclimit\_handler**(*limit, parsed\_url, recursions=()*)

Raise prance.util.url.ResolutionError.

## 4.8 prance.util.url

This submodule contains code for fetching/parsing URLs.

### 4.8.1 Exceptions

**exception** prance.util.url.**ResolutionError**

Bases: LookupError

**with\_traceback**()

Exception.with\_traceback(tb) – set self.\_\_traceback\_\_ to tb and return self.

### 4.8.2 Functions

prance.util.url.**absurl**(*url, relative\_to=None*)

Turn relative file URLs into absolute file URLs.

This is necessary, because while JSON pointers do not allow relative file URLs, Swagger/OpenAPI explicitly does. We need to make relative paths absolute before passing them off to jsonschema for verification.

Non-file URLs are left untouched. URLs without scheme are assumed to be file URLs.

**Parameters**

- **url** (*str/tuple*) – The input URL.
- **relative\_to** (*str/tuple*) – [optional] The URL to which the input URL is relative.

**Returns**

The output URL, parsed into components.

**Return type**

tuple

```
prance.util.url.fetch_url(url, cache={}, encoding=None, strict=True)
```

Fetch the URL and parse the contents.

Same as `fetch_url_text()`, but also parses the content and only returns the parse results.

**Parameters**

- **url** (*tuple*) – The url, parsed as returned by *absurl* above.
- **cache** (*Mapping*) – An optional cache. If the URL can be found in the cache, return the cache contents.
- **encoding** (*str*) – Provide an encoding for local URLs to override encoding detection, if desired. Defaults to None.

**Returns**

The parsed file.

**Return type**

dict

```
prance.util.url.fetch_url_text(url, cache={}, encoding=None)
```

Fetch the URL.

If the URL is a file URL, the format used for parsing depends on the file extension. Otherwise, YAML is assumed.

The URL may also use the *python* scheme. In this scheme, the netloc part refers to an importable python package, and the path part to a path relative to the package path, e.g. *python://some\_package/path/to/file.yaml*.

**Parameters**

- **url** (*tuple*) – The url, parsed as returned by *absurl* above.
- **cache** (*Mapping*) – An optional cache. If the URL can be found in the cache, return the cache contents.
- **encoding** (*str*) – Provide an encoding for local URLs to override encoding detection, if desired. Defaults to None.

**Returns**

The resource text of the URL, and the content type.

**Return type**

tuple

```
prance.util.url.split_url_reference(base_url, reference)
```

Return a normalized, parsed URL and object path.

The reference string is a JSON reference, i.e. a URL with a fragment that contains an object path into the referenced resource.

The base URL is used as a reference point for relative references.

**Parameters**

- **base\_url** (*mixed*) – A parsed URL.

- **reference** (*str*) – A JSON reference string.

**Returns**

The parsed absolute URL of the reference and the object path.

`prance.util.url.urlresource(url)`

Return the resource part of a parsed URL.

The resource part is defined as the part without query, parameters or fragment. Just the scheme, netloc and path remains.

**Parameters**

**url** (*tuple*) – A parsed URL

**Returns**

The resource part of the URL

**Return type**

str

## 4.9 prance.util.exceptions

This submodule contains helpers for exception handling.

### 4.9.1 Functions

`prance.util.exceptions.raise_from(klass, from_value, extra_message=None)`

## 4.10 prance.util.path

This module contains code for accessing values in nested data structures.

### 4.10.1 Functions

`prance.util.path.path_get(obj, path, defaultvalue=None, path_of_obj=())`

Retrieve the value from obj indicated by path.

Like dict.get(), except:

- Any Mapping or Sequence is supported.
- Path is itself a Sequence; the first part is applied to the passed object, the second part to the value returned from this operation, and so forth recursively.

**Parameters**

- **obj** (*mixed*) – The Sequence or Mapping from which to retrieve values.
- **path** (*Sequence*) – A Sequence of zero or more key/index elements.
- **defaultvalue** (*mixed*) – If the value at the path does not exist and this parameter is not None, it is returned. Otherwise an error is raised.

`prance.util.path.path_set(obj, path, value, **options)`

Set the value in obj indicated by path.

Setter analogous to `path_get()` above.

As setting values is a write operation, this function optionally creates intermediate objects to ensure all elements of path can be dereferenced.

#### Parameters

- **obj** (*mixed*) – The Sequence or Mapping from which to retrieve values.
- **path** (*Sequence*) – A Sequence of zero or more key/index elements.
- **value** (*mixed*) – The value to set.
- **create** (*bool*) – [optional] Flag indicating whether to create intermediate values or not. Defaults to False.

**CHANGES**



## PRANCE 0.22.11.04.0

### 6.1 Features

- consolidate and unify openapi-spec-validator api usage (#132)
- drop dead pythons and upgrade builds for python 3.7 - 3.10 (#137)
- migrate from distutils.version to packaging.version (#138)





## PRANCE 0.21.8.0 (2021-08-06)

### 7.1 Features

- Initial translating parser to inline other specs to new names. (#101)
- replace pyyaml with ruamel.yaml for modern yaml support (#110)
- Adopt black as code formatter. (#113)

### 7.2 Bugfixes

- RefResolver will again accept and if instructed resolve references using the “python” URL scheme. (#104)



## PRANCE 0.21.2 (2021-05-18)

### 8.1 Bugfixes

- widen chardet pin to ease dependency hell for when others haven't updated to >4 (#98)



**V0.21.1 (2021-05-18)**

- quickfix for a missed rst issue in readme



**V0.21.0 (2021-05-18)**

## 10.1 Features

- Implement initial part of maintainer switch (#93)
  - @RonnyPfannschmidt is the new maintainer, plans to move to jazzband
  - License is now MIT after coordination with Jens
  - begin to use pre-commit + pyupgrade
  - set up for setuptools\_scm as bumpversion breaks with normalized configfiles
  - github actions
  - modernize setup.py/cfg
- return to towncrier default templates





- #83: Properly propagate strict mode down to nested resolvers.



Bugfix release:

- #85: Update dependencies, in particular chardet
- Miscellaneous: #86



- #77: Translate local references in external files by injecting them into the main specification.
- #78: Fix issue in RESOLVE\_INTERNAL handling



- #72: Fix behaviour when attempting to resolve nonexistent local references: raise `ResolutionError` instead of what the OS provides.
- #69: Improve documentation with regards to JSON Schema and OpenAPI interoperability; some things are just not very well defined, and we make some strict assumptions in prance.
- Miscellaneous: #71





Bugfix release:

- #67: fix syntax warning.
- #69: when resolving references, if URL parsing fails, provide context on which URL was being parsed in error message.



Bugfix release:

- #65: fix error in resolving files only with ResolvingParser.



Maintenance release, focusing on change requests from users.

- #23: Add support for partial resolution, i.e. resolving only internal references, local files, HTTP URLs, or any combination thereof.
- #36: Improve error handling by mentioning strict mode when openapi-spec-validator raises TypeError with very little context.
- #46: Reduce reliance on network in tests. Tests that require a network connection can now be skipped via “-m ‘not requires\_network’”. Other tests have mocked connections.
- #55: RefResolver could set recursion limits, but the ResolvingParser did not pass related options on to the resolver. Fixed that. Also create & use reference cache in ResolvingParser.
- #60: Improve output when resolving references, by indicating the type of problem (missing key, index out of bounds) in the object or sequence where the error occurred.



- #51: Try a lot more bytes when detecting file encoding. The new value is meant to be a multiple of sector/cluster size that's still reasonable on most OSes and volumes.
- #49: Remove Python 2.7 from supported/built versions. The CI vendors also don't love 3.4 any longer. Instead, we've added 3.7 and 3.8 where available.
- Miscellaneous: #53





- #47: Fix deprecation warning by always preferring collections.abc over collections.



- #44: Add changelog generation via [towncrier](#)



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